

1-1 By: Miles, Whitmire S.B. No. 1269
 1-2 (In the Senate - Filed March 3, 2017; March 13, 2017, read
 1-3 first time and referred to Committee on Agriculture, Water & Rural
 1-4 Affairs; April 6, 2017, reported adversely, with favorable
 1-5 Committee Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 7, Nays 0;
 1-6 April 6, 2017, sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-9	X			
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1-12	X			
1-13	X			
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1-15	X			

1-16 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 1269 By: Perry

1-17 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-18 AN ACT

1-19 relating to the establishment of a task force to conduct a
 1-20 comprehensive study on flood control infrastructure for Harris and
 1-21 Galveston Counties.

1-22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-23 SECTION 1. (a) In this section, "task force" means the
 1-24 task force on flood control infrastructure established under this
 1-25 section.

1-26 (b) The task force is established to conduct a comprehensive
 1-27 flood control infrastructure study for Harris and Galveston
 1-28 Counties. The study must:

1-29 (1) assess the existing infrastructure in Harris and
 1-30 Galveston Counties with respect to flood control; and

1-31 (2) identify infrastructure improvements necessary to
 1-32 mitigate flooding in those counties.

1-33 (c) The task force is composed of 12 members as follows:

1-34 (1) one person appointed by the governor;

1-35 (2) one person appointed by the lieutenant governor;

1-36 (3) one person appointed by the speaker of the house of
 1-37 representatives;

1-38 (4) two representatives of the University of Houston's
 1-39 Hobby School of Public Affairs or Cullen College of Engineering,
 1-40 one of whom is appointed by the author of this Act and one of whom is
 1-41 appointed by the sponsor of this Act;

1-42 (5) two representatives of Texas Southern University's
 1-43 Barbara Jordan-Mickey Leland School of Public Affairs or Department
 1-44 of Transportation Studies, one of whom is appointed by the author of
 1-45 this Act and one of whom is appointed by the sponsor of this Act;

1-46 (6) one representative of the mayor of the City of
 1-47 Houston, appointed by the mayor;

1-48 (7) one representative of the Harris County
 1-49 Commissioners Court, appointed by the commissioners court;

1-50 (8) one representative of the Galveston County
 1-51 Commissioners Court, appointed by the commissioners court;

1-52 (9) one other person appointed by the author of this
 1-53 Act; and

1-54 (10) one other person appointed by the sponsor of this
 1-55 Act.

1-56 (d) One member appointed under Subsection (c)(4) of this
 1-57 section serves as the presiding officer of the task force, and one
 1-58 member appointed under Subsection (c)(5) of this section serves as
 1-59 the assistant presiding officer.

1-60 (e) The Hobby School of Public Affairs and the Cullen

2-1 College of Engineering of the University of Houston shall provide
2-2 necessary staff and administrative support to the task force.

2-3 (f) The Harris County Flood Control District shall serve as
2-4 an advisor to the task force by reviewing task force work products
2-5 and providing data and other information necessary to conduct the
2-6 study.

2-7 (g) The task force shall prepare a report that includes:
2-8 (1) a description of the activities of the task force;
2-9 (2) the findings and recommendations of the task
2-10 force, including any proposed policy recommendations; and

2-11 (3) any proposals for legislation or other matters the
2-12 task force considers appropriate.

2-13 (h) Not later than December 1, 2018, the task force shall
2-14 submit the report prepared under this section to:

2-15 (1) the governor;

2-16 (2) the lieutenant governor;

2-17 (3) the speaker of the house of representatives; and

2-18 (4) the presiding officers of the standing committees

2-19 of the senate and house of representatives having primary

2-20 jurisdiction over issues relating to flood control infrastructure.

2-21 (i) The task force is abolished and this Act expires January
2-22 1, 2019.

2-23 SECTION 2. This Act does not make an appropriation. A
2-24 provision of this Act that imposes a new duty on a governmental
2-25 entity is not mandatory during a fiscal period for which the
2-26 legislature has not made a specific appropriation to implement the
2-27 provision.

2-28 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
2-29 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
2-30 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
2-31 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
2-32 Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

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